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50th Anniversary News

We're nearing our target date to celebrate Lakeview's 50th Anniversary. You have been amazing meeting the challenges set before you this year. This month's may be the hardest one yet. Kathi McCormick is challenging us to increase our hours of volunteerism in September by being a Helping Hand for God! Visit a friend, take a meal to someone, saw up a broken tree, mow someone's lawn, send a card. You know your skill, because you've done it all before. There are myriad ways to volunteer love, your joy, your compassion, your hope, your peace. So find a way to minister to your neighbor, your friend, or the stranger on the street. And after you have, tack up a paper hand on the easel in the back of the church. No need to identify yourself. God knows and thanks you and so do I!

October's 50 Acts of Charity will be bringing new baby items to the church. These items will be donated to Birth Right in Charleston. Anything a new baby needs will be the order of the day. Blankets, towels, onesies, sleepers, washcloths, sweaters, caps, you name it! We would like to see a large mound of items when our guests visit for our celebration. Who knows, maybe they will add to it!

We thank Karen Kersey for preparing our 50 Days of Prayer preceding the Anniversary. Hope you are keeping up with praying! Karen also painted some signs that you will see in the neighborhood early in October.

Your support of this year long project has been truly gratifying to this 50th committee. We hope and pray that you will be present to meet our guests, to remember old times, see old pictures and revel in the presence of loved ones who remember Lakeview as a warm and caring church in their lives. Again the dates are October 21, 22, 23. We thank God for Lakeview Church and its meaning in our lives. We thank God that Lakeview has led us on the path to service and love in this community.

For the 50th Committee

Norma Newbrough

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Ron Colby, and Kathi McCormick opened the meeting with a reading and prayer. Those present in addition to Ron Colby and Kathi McCormick were Pastor Richie, Dave Ashley, Marilyn Colby, Bud Newbrough and Don & Marilyn Morton.

After reviewing the minutes, a motion (Bud/Dave A.) carried to accept the August minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report – Motion (Don/Dave A.) carried to accept the August report. Two Conference Apportionment payments were made this month, leaving us two payments behind for the year.

Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration – We are still on target for our plans for the 50th Anniversary in October. Plans for September are to give 50 hours of service; also, the *50 Days of Prayer* list has been distributed to the congregation.

Family Ministries – Family Ministries is currently planning some projects and will announce plans soon.

Parsonage - Plans are still underway to secure a replacement fan for one of the parsonage bathrooms. During a recent storm a tree branch fell on the fence and we are in the process of repairing it.

PS/PRC – A meeting will be scheduled shortly to come up with salary recommendations for pastor and staff for 2012.

Trustees – Plans are underway to repair the fence damage in the parsonage backyard.

Motion carried (Dave A./Bud) to replace the carpet on the steps into the education hallway-cost not to exceed \$350 and this money will come from memorial funds, not from the church budget.

Worship – Committee met and plans are being made for the Advent Season. Chong stated that we would have special music, but currently there are no plans for a Christmas Cantata. The committee will meet again as needed.

Pastor's Report - Charge Conference is scheduled for 7 pm, November 7th at St. Peters Church.

The Pastor will be away October 14 – October 18 at a Revival in Ohio. Matt Goodwin will be the speaker at Sunday Service.

Miscellaneous - Next Council meeting will be Tuesday, October 11.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

Ah, September! My favorite month of the year! Maybe that is because it is this reporter's birth month, maybe it is because it is the start of the fall season when the weather cools a bit, when school starts and when all things start rolling again.

So Lakeview is starting to roll again after the lazy summer. It is time to get to work, gathering up those items for the fall Yard Sale, preparing for the 50th Anniversarv Celebration, thinking and planning Advent and Christmas, well as as Nominations meetings and Charge Conference. It is time to get to work, Lakeview. It is September.

By the time you read this, the Yard Sale will be over and it will only be a memory. We hope and pray that it was a big success, that people were served well, that workers were satisfied and that we secured funds for our needs. We offer praise and

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thanksgiving to a loving God that allows us to continue this project.

We have welcomed baby Sophie to our midst and pray that she will thrive and grow under her parents (Pastor Richie and Leslie) watchful care. We thank God for her safe arrival.

We congratulate Don and Karen Wilson on the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth on September 4, at Nag's Head, North Carolina. After the wrath of Hurricane Irene, the wedding day was sunny and bright and beautiful, as was the bride and her sister, Ashley. Matthew Bobbera was the handsome groom and we wish this young couple much happiness as they begin life together.

Another wedding of note this congregation was the wedding of Erin Dahmer, former member congregation, daughter of Pam and Roger Dahmer and granddaughter of Macie Dahmer. She married Brian Kissich on August 13 at Mount Horeb UMC in Upper Tract, WV. Erin is a registered nurse who works at Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, VA. Congratulations to the young couple.

Congratulations to Wayne Kersey who competed in the Charleston Distance Run on a dangerously hot and humid day. We're happy wisdom prevailed and he paced himself to avoid any health issues. Way to go, Wayne!! His buddy, Don Wilson, who usually runs in this event, was busy getting his daughter married this Labor Day Weekend.

Ron Colby was elated to report that the Riverlake RR Crossing was fixed. I am sure he brought pressure to bear on the folks that left that crossing in such poor condition.

We're happy to report that little Audrey Humphreys is recovering from some health issues.

We ask for prayer for Linda Thompson who is continuing radiation treatments for breast cancer. Give her a hug when you see her!

We ask for prayer for Fred and Georgeann McKinney who are struggling with health issues. They could use a hug also!

We send loving sympathy to Kenny and Karen Bowyer in the loss of Kenny's mother, Callie Bowyer. She died a couple of weeks ago.

September and October Anniversaries

DAVIS	9/12
KNAPP	10/1
SCHOTT	10/10
PENNINGTON	10/16
SAYRE	10/23
BOWYER	10/25

September and October Birthdays

JASON BLACK	9/3
RICHARD PAXTON	9/4
NORMA NEWBROUGH	9/6
DEBBIE ROWE	9/11
LOREN EDWARDS	9/14
MAX BELCHER	9/16
GEORGEANN MCKINNEY	9/17
CAROL DAVIS	9/26
MARILYN COLBY	10/2
FRANCES PAXTON	10/3
TIFFANY MCCORMICK	10/5
BARBARA KOONTZ	10/5
KAREN BROWN	10/6
MASON EKSTROM	10/6

AMELIA ROWE	10/8
KAREN BOWYER	10/14
JACOB SAYRE	10/14
KATHI MCCORMICK	10/20
JENNIFER PARSONS	10/24
LISA SAYRE	10/25
DAVE ASHLEY	10/27
DOT HAMON	10/29
DAVE KOONTZ	10/29
ALLEN PARSONS	10/30

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please send an email to:

<u>Donald.paul.wilson@frontier.com</u> and I will add you to the list.

FINANCE CORNER – Tithers or Tippers?

Finance Corner for September 2011

Needed to make Budget \$7,131.00 Income for August \$9,834.00

We made 2 payments to the Conference for our Fair Share Giving, but we are still 2 payments behind, which is \$3,200.00. We will have to have some extra giving from our congregation in order to pay 100% obligation to the Conference Fair Share.

Our church borrowed \$200,000 ten years ago to renovate our sanctuary, which we pledged to pay off in 15 years. Our people have been faithful to that obligation. Our church giving plus income from our Yard Sales will allow us to pay off our note in time for our 50th Anniversary Celebration. That is 5 years sooner! Hooray, Lakeview!

Tithers or Tippers?

For the Finance Committee Bud Newbrough

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